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METHODS FOR PRODUCTION AND USE THEREOF IN COSMETIC PREPARATIONS

Examiner: B. S. Frazier

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2008, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

Enclosures include a Petition for a one-month Extension of Time.